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In support of the mission to maintain and enhance the quality of life in the City of Norman, the Norman Fire Department is seeking community oriented men and women for the upcoming Norman Fire Academy scheduled to begin June 1, 2010. Applications will be available from January 4 through January 15, 2010.

Qualified applicants must be at least 18 years of age and have a minimum of 30 college credit hours from an accredited college or university. In addition, applicants must have the ability to obtain an Oklahoma Driver's License, have no felony convictions and be able to perform the essential duties of a Firefighter Recruit.

Applicants must pass a written examination, physical agility test, extensive background investigation and physical examination.

Successful applicants will begin their service as a Norman Firefighter with extensive instruction at the Norman Fire Department's academy where they will draw full salary and benefits. The 24 week academy training includes classroom instruction and practical field exercises in a number of disciplines to include firefighting techniques and practices, emergency response and rescue as well as equipment maintenance. Applicants will be required to obtain EMT-Basic certification, Firefighter I, CPR, and Hazardous Materials Responder certifications during initial one year probationary period. The academy's graduation is scheduled to coincide with the opening of the City's 8th fire station.

The approved Public Safety Sales Tax will fund 15 of the 17 vacant positions in the Norman Fire Academy.

Anyone interested in applying for the position of Firefighter should visit www.normanok.gov/content/fd-recruiting-forms to download an application. If you are interested in applying but do not have internet access, visit our office at 201-C W. Gray or request an application be mailed to you by calling 405-366-5482.